

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A fitting for tube or pipe, said fitting having a first straight end section positioned along a first centerline and a second straight end section positioned along a second centerline, the included angle between the first centerline and the second centerline differing first and second legs extending with respect to each other at an included angle that differs from a right angle by about 2 degrees \pm ½ degree;

wherein said fitting is formed as a single piece.

2. (Original) The fitting of claim 1 wherein said included angle is a nominal value of about $88^{\circ} \pm .5^{\circ}$.

3. (Original) The fitting of claim 1 wherein said included angle is a nominal value of about $92^{\circ} \pm .5^{\circ}$.

4. (Currently amended) The fitting of claim 1 wherein at least one of said straight end sections ~~legs~~ has an end face that is generally normal to a central longitudinal axis thereof.

5. (Currently amended) The fitting of claim 1 wherein each of said straight end sections ~~legs~~ has a respective end face that is generally normal to a central longitudinal axis thereof.

6-16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently amended) A method of making a drainable fitting, comprising the steps of:

forming a fitting having straight end sections ~~legs~~ that extend at about a right angle to each other; and

bending the first straight end section ~~leg~~ of the fitting about two degrees relative to the second straight end section ~~leg~~ of the fitting.

18. (Currently amended) A method of making a drainable fitting, comprising the steps of:

providing a straight length of conduit;

bending the straight length of conduit to form a fitting having first and second straight end sections ~~legs~~ that extend at an angle to each other of about two degrees more or less than a right angle; and

finishing the fitting.

19. (Original) A method of making a drainable fitting, comprising the steps of:

providing a fitting having first and second straight sections that are joined by about a 90 degree curved section and that extend at about a right angle to each other;

cutting the fitting along a cut line to remove the first straight section and an adjacent portion of the curved section; and

attaching a straight section to the fitting along the cut line thereby to form a fitting having first and second straight sections that are joined by a curved section of less than about 90 degrees.

20. (Original) The method of claim 19 wherein said step of attaching a straight section to the fitting is performed by orbital welding.

21. (New) The fitting of claim 1 wherein each one of said straight end sections being orbitally weldable.

22. (New) The method of claim 17 wherein the step of forming a fitting further comprises:

providing a straight length of conduit;

bending the straight length of conduit such that a portion of the conduit includes a first and second straight section that are joined by about a 90 degree curved section;

cutting the conduit to form a fitting having first and second straight end sections that extend at about a 90 degree angle to each other.